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THE AFRICAN IN THE WOOD-PILE.

Language appears to have been given Mr. Spreckels to conceal his thoughts. He uses it copiously and is the delight of the interviewer; but, alas! as befitts a Talleyrand of the business world, he holds his real ideas and motives in so secret a place that the sunlight of publicity rarely shines upon them.

Just now, Mr. Spreckels is against annexation. Does he tell why? To listen to him by the hour one might infer, if he was sufficiently green, that it was because the Sugar King feared that American law would cut off the present supply of Asiatic labor. All that, as Mr. Spreckels very well knows, is clothed nonsense; for why should the Asiatic workmen now have leave the Islands to go back home where they could not make a third of their present wages? Why should one suppose that the unhindered Japanese would not migrate hither, just as the Irish, Italians and Hungarians do to the Atlantic coast, tempted by the opportunity to improve their condition? What is there in the contract-labor law to prevent bureaus of immigration from keeping the Japanese labor market full?

Of course, Mr. Spreckels knows all this as well now as he did three months ago when he came out for annexation in the San Francisco papers; but in the meantime he has heard something drip. The thing that dripped appears to have been a suggestion. The suggestion came, apparently, from his new found friends of the Sugar Trust—a monopoly which, as the initiated know, has a very strong pull with his obsequious organ, the New York Herald. The terms of the little joker appear to have been these: "If annexation comes, some syndicate will start big sugar refineries on the Islands, whereat you, us and company will have to struggle for our monopolistic existence!"

Herein is the secret of the whole matter. Annexation might mean refineries, refineries might mean competition, competition might mean loss of dividends, and loss of dividends would give Mr. Spreckels that tired feeling; hence, though refineries would help bestow an immense prosperity upon the people of the Hawaiian Islands, annexation, which might secure them, must be beaten at any hazard or at any cost.

Does our interesting old friend the Refinery King remember the spectacle the ostrich made of himself, when he thought he had hidden his body by thrusting his head into the sand?

CHANGING HIS BASE.

When Mr. Nordhoff began the remarkable career of fiction on these Islands which resulted in his letters to the American edition of the London Herald, he declared that the revolution of January 17th was an affair of sugar planters. This correspondence was spotted with the phrases "planter's party," and he made the most of every suggestion which led to the postulate that but for the greed of sugar men the Queen would not have been evicted from her throne.

In his last letter to the Herald, all this pretense of a cane-growers' conspiracy has been abandoned, and we find Mr. Nordhoff quoting, with a great appearance of glee, the Sugar King himself against the annexation movement. Not only does he emphasize Mr. Spreckels' own statement that "annexation would ruin the sugar industry on these Islands," but he brings out this remarkable passage:

I asked Mr. Spreckels: "Are the planters generally of your mind on this matter?" He replied: "Oh, yes."

Further along he quotes the Sugar King as saying that he did not oppose the annexation movement in the first place because he "knew nothing of it," nor did his resident partner, "who was then in New York." This is the same resident partner, it should be noted, whom Mr. Nordhoff elsewhere quotes

as having refused, "with contempt" to hoist the American flag over his Honolulu office.

Now what has become of the airy fabric of the correspondent's dream of a sugar revolution? He could, by expressing disbelief in Mr. Spreckels' candor, still hold to that exploited theory, but the courage of such a conviction is far from his purpose to express. Instead, he writes, that the interview is "an interesting and valuable exposition of Mr. Spreckels' views, and of the situation here." This latter phrase expresses a complete change of base, for if the "situation here" is what the Sugar King says it is, then of course the only "planter's party" and the only "sugar conspiracy" must be counted against the annexation cause, and not for it.

It must puzzle the Herald readers to follow the course of Mr. Nordhoff, who

Wires in and wires out,
Leaving the reader still in doubt,
Whether the snake that made the track
Was going in or coming back.

LIQUOR LICENSES.

If retail liquor licenses continue to be sold, as we presume they will be, they should be put up at auction and disposed of to the highest bidder. Under the monarchy the nine licenses which the law allows went, in the main, to a small group of royal favorites at an upset price of \$1,000 each; and this at times when others, not favorites were ready to pay more than that figure for them.

The Star has received a letter from a well known citizen of Honolulu in which he says that he is willing to pay a sum for a retail license much in excess of the par value. "I merely want a fair chance for one," he says, "and I do not see why the Government should continue in the Royal rut and deprive itself of premiums by giving the old crowd a total monopoly."

Without going into the moral question as to whether licenses are desirable at all, the Star can find no reason why the contention of its correspondent is not just. Certainly if a piece of paper which now brings the public treasury \$1,000 could be sold for \$1,300, \$1,500 or \$2,000, it would be a financial blunder to adhere to the old price and ignore a rising market.

Auction the licenses!

"SPECIAL CARE."

In his various apologies to those whom he had libeled in his Herald correspondence, Mr. Nordhoff speaks of the "special care" he thought he had used in collecting data for his personal attacks. "Special care" implies a good deal and one would not naturally suppose that a man who used it in framing assaults upon a given person would at once forget that person's name. It will be observed that in his Hoogs correspondence Mr. Nordhoff first apologized to William R. Castle, Mr. Hoog's attorney, under the impression that Mr. Castle was the man he had, "with special care," picked out as a lottery signer. In to-day's correspondence the Herald precisionist apologizes to "James" Lansing instead of Theodore F. Lansing, whom he had named in his offensive letter. It is very evident from all this that his "special care" phrase is a convenient subterfuge to cover the fact that he took his data from the Royalists, who wanted to deceive him, and that he really does not clearly know of whom he has been writing.

And this is the man upon whose reputation for painstaking veracity rests so much of the logic of the anti-annexation cause in the United States.

ROYALIST APPREHENSION.

The Bulletin hastens to say that if Liliuokalani is deported there will be a howl of protest in America and that the United States will "sit down heavily" upon the Hawaiian "filibusters."

Inasmuch as the daily prayer and the midnight supplication of the Royalist paper is for the United States to do just that thing, we fail to see why our contemporary should be alarmed and grieved at a plan which would work so much to its own and the Royal advantage. Why warn the Government to go slow when by going fast and in the way pointed out, it would compel America to lay the heavy hand of arrest upon its shoulder?

The Bulletin is up to very cheap tricks. It knows quite well that the American Government has declared that it will not interfere in the domestic affairs of the Islands, except to protect Americans. As the ex-Queen is not an American, and as the question of her presence here is a purely domestic one, there is about as much chance of the United States stepping in in her behalf as there was of its helping the cause of old Dom Pedro at the time he was banished from Brazil.

Regarding a "howl of protest" over the deportation of the fallen sovereign, that will be all in the Bulletin's eye rather than in its ear—enterprising and capacious as that ear may be.

HON. JOHN L. STEVENS.

Ex-Minister John L. Stevens took formal leave of the Provisional Government this morning, and to-morrow night he will utter a few words of parting to the people of Hawaii.

During his official residence here, Mr. Stevens has won the respect of all right-thinking people for his diplomacy, his good sense, his patriotism and his exalted character. He will be remembered with affectionate regard by his countrymen here and by all others who have the best political interests of the Islands at heart.

The Star wishes him a pleasant voyage home and an enthusiastic reception in Maine, and it predicts that it will not be long before his hope of annexation will be realized.

Three cheers for the man who hauled up the American flag!

No paper is so small and inconsequential in America, from the Bungtown Bird of Freedom to the Slab City Expectorator, that it cannot cheer the souls of the Royalist prints in Hawaii whenever it sees fit to use its immaterial space in maligning annexation. We are daily treated to extracts from journals that no one ever heard of before nor will again, which extracts are printed as evidences of "American public opinion." Not one of the papers referred to is valued at home for much else besides carpet-lining, and it is amusing enough to have them paraded here as leaders of thought in the United States.

There is less illicit whiskey selling, less gambling, less opium smoking, less prostitution and less police bribery in this city now than there has been at any time during the past five years.

No Rest For The Wicked.

St. Peter sat at the pearly gate, at the P. G. gate sat he,
And he saw in the distance a writing man,
A regular, travelling writing man,
A coming along quite free. "Aha!" sez he.
St. Peter shoved the bolt in the lock and hung up his golden key.
"I've heard of that man before this time,
And I miss my guess if he will not pine
In vain to get into society—our sort of society."

The stranger reached the pearly gate, but no one there he could see,
So he rang the bell and stood on the cat,
And helplessly wondered where he was at,
But the gate didn't open. "Te he!" Peter said, "te hee!"

The Saint leaned his head o'er the wall and looked down,
And he said "You had better be off!
Scat! Mizzle! Vamoose! Your name is Nordhoff."

Old Peter said this, we'll remark, with a frown.
"But where shall I take myself to?" said the man;
"O go to old Nick," said Peter, by way
Of telling him where his kind usually stray.

"And put yourself under his ban! Take a fan!"
"I have been there," said Nordhoff, "and now I am here,
I said to the Devil his place I would prize,
But he said he'd no use for a father of lies,
He could fill that bill himself, it was clear."

"I expect he was jealous of me," said the man,
Because in my writings below
As his rival I hadn't been slow,
So advise what to do, if you can."

It puzzled the Saint to know what was best
For whom heaven refused
And old Satan refused
Would find for his soul little rest.

But the problem was solved, though we do not like to pen it,
For with both Heaven and Tophet,
Nordhoff closed to Nordhoff, it
Seemed best to return him to James Gordon Bennett.

FOR THE LIBRARY.

Tableaux Vivants and Music at the Opera House.

A series of historic, artistic and dramatic tableaux vivants prepared by ladies and gentlemen of Honolulu, will be given at the Opera House on Thursday evening, May 25th, at half-past 7 o'clock, for the benefit of the Honolulu Library and Reading Room Association.

The following programme will be rendered:

A Picture Gallery.
Song—"The Carnival"..... Molloy
Mr. Manning.

The New York Newsboys' Chorus.
Quintette Band.

Cleopatra and Her Maids.
Quintette—"Sweet and Low"..... Barnly
Mrs. Tenny, Miss von Holt, Mr. Manning
and Dr. South.

Madonna (Bodenhausen)
Duet—"See the Pale Moon".....
Mrs. Pate and Mr. Booth.

In Love—"The Peacemaker."
Quintette Band.

The Maid of Saragossa.
Duet—"Come May With All Thy Flowers".....
Miss Dale and Mr. Wakefield.

Auld Robin Gray.
Duet—"Serenade from 'Cox and Box'"
..... Sullivan

Mr. Manning and Dr. South.
Columbus at the Court of Isabella.
Song—"Lili Signer"..... Meyerbeer
Miss Dale.

Pygmalion and Galatea.
Quintette Band.

Tickets will be on sale at L. J. Levey's on Thursday morning at the usual prices.

His Hand Torn Off.

A Japanese engineer at Paauhau plantation, Maui, caught his hand on the steam plow machinery last Friday and had it completely torn off.

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SPRECKELS V. SPRECKELS.

THE SUGAR KING'S PREVIOUS VIEWS.

For Annexation Last January—His Old Time Sentiments on the Labor Question.

The following article by Claus Spreckels appeared in the Examiner of January 29th: it was headed "Shall We Annex Hawaii?"

The Examiner has asked me for an expression of my views on the situation in Hawaii. With the information in my possession I have a very decided opinion that the United States should proclaim its authority over the Islands in the interest of good government. I may, however, modify this opinion upon fuller information, but from my general knowledge of the situation there it is very unlikely that I should do so.

It appears that Queen Liliuokalani, following the example of her late brother, Kalakaua, attempted to establish an absolute Government and failed. A provisional Government has been established, and is sustained by the moral force of the foreign residents and the armed support of volunteers, while the United States stands in the background with the "Boston" to maintain order and prevent a conflict between the natives and the foreign population who represent the capital and intelligence of the country.

It is clear to any sensible person that this state of things cannot continue indefinitely without serious injury to business and property. Life may also be imperiled. Under these circumstances, and inasmuch as the bulk of all investments on the Islands represents American capital, and as the majority of foreign residents are American citizens, I take it that it is the duty of the American Government to intervene and protect American interests.

What shape this intervention should assume is not for me to say, but annexation would appear to be the most direct and effective. When a country becomes unable to govern itself, and has in its care the property of foreigners, it becomes the duty of the countries interested to protect their own citizens. In this case, the United States has the preponderating influence, and therefore it is its duty to act. I have no doubt that if our government annexed Hawaii, and gave guarantees to the other powers that the rights of their subjects would be respected and public credit maintained, there would be no objection on their part. And I have as little doubt that the native Hawaiians would soon come to recognize the advantage of becoming citizens of the United States and living under the protection of a strong government.

From what I have said you may reasonably conclude that I favor annexation of the Hawaiian Islands by the United States and the establishment of a Territorial government, which will be satisfactory, because unbiased and just, to both native and foreigners.

CLAUS SPRECKELS.

The following appears in thevertiser, under date of March 8, 1893.

"Claus Spreckels, on the subject of Chinese labor at the Hawaiian Islands, said that he was opposed to it, except on a limited scale and under proper restrictions. Mr. Spreckels now has a few Chinamen employed on his plantation, but he gives the preference in all cases to whites, paying the latter double the wages that Chinese can be secured for. He intends dividing his large estate up into farms of 50 and 100 acres each, and leasing them to white men with families, giving them one third of the sugar crop annually. He will put in about 3000 acres of sugar cane the present year and will increase annually until the whole tract is under cultivation. He is now, through his agent in Maui, engaged in completing an elaborate system of irrigation, building refineries, constructing a railroad eight miles in length, making a harbor, and putting everything in readiness for getting to work as the planting season begins in August. Mr. Spreckels' outlay will exceed \$1,500,000. When asked if he did not fear that by a large influx of Chinese to the Hawaiian Islands, at first as menials, those astute barbarians might in time gain such a foothold that it would be difficult to control them, Mr. Spreckels said that he had given considerable thought to the subject, and had become so much alarmed at the possibility of such a result that he had had several conversations with King Kalakaua when last at Honolulu. That monarch, he said, agreed with him, and the policy of the Hawaiian Government was to discourage any general immigration of the Chinese or coolie element."

A NEGLECTED FIELD.

Work Begun in Hamakua Which Ought to Have Been Done Before.

A private letter from Hamakua, Hawaii, says: "I regret very much that this work (establishing an Annexation club) has been delayed so long. The district has been thoroughly canvassed by the opposition, and all natives and half whites, with very few exceptions, have signed their papers. Several with whom I have talked lately said they didn't know what they were signing—were asked to sign and signed. One told me that the paper he signed had no heading—was simply a list of names. * * * As there seemed no one else to start, I did, and with some volunteer assistance, have procured between 150 and 200 signatures on the list."

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Interested in the new Masonic Temple are invited to contribute to a TABLE OF FANCY ARTICLES to be sold in aid of the Furnishing Fund. Contributions to be sent to Mrs. Hasinger, Eagle House. 47 ff

BY AUTHORITY.

ACT 35.
AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF MONEY FOR INCIDENTALS AND CRIMINAL EXPENSES UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Be it Enacted by the Executive and Advisory Councils of the Provisional Government of the Hawaiian Islands:

SECTION 1. The sum of Five Thousand Dollars is hereby appropriated from the Public Treasury, in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated, for Incidentals and Civil and Criminal Expenses under the Department of the Attorney-General.

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect from the date of its publication.

Approved this 18th day of May, A.D. 1893.

(Signed) SANFORD B. DOLE,
President of the Provisional Government of the Hawaiian Islands.

(Signed) J. A. KING,
Minister of the Interior.

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ANDREW BROWN,
Supt. Honolulu Water Works.

Approved:
J. A. KING,
Minister of the Interior.

Honolulu, H. I., April 1st, 1893.
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